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## Northwestern Will Begin Offering Doctoral Degree



ALUMNI WHO RETURN to Northwestern are impressed by this massive student residence complex on the west side of the campus. Opened last fall, the two dormitories house 1,600 students. At left is Sabine Hall, the women's dorm. Rapides Hall, the men's dorm is on the right. Iberville Dining Hall in the center, is equipped to serve some 3,000 students.

### Program Starts With Fall Term

Northwestern has been granted permission by the State Board of Education to begin offering doctoral degrees in education beginning next fall.

The decision made in late December at a meeting of the board in New Orleans marks the first time that state colleges have been allowed to offer doctoral programs.

Northwestern began moving toward the doctoral degree program last year when it became the first college under the State Board of Education to begin offering the Specialist Degree in Education. The Specialist Degree is 30 hours beyond the master's degree.

In 1954, Northwestern became the first state college to be authorized to offer the master's degree. To date, more than 1,350 master's degrees have been conferred by Northwestern.

Presently, more than 150 students who have already received their master's degrees are enrolled at Northwestern working toward the Specialist degree or other advanced programs.

Northwestern has an enrollment of 1,306 in the Graduate School, and of that number, 1,010 are in education. Last summer, Northwestern's enrollment in education in the Graduate School surpassed even that of Louisiana State University.

President Arnold R. Kilpatrick of Northwestern said that requests from North Louisiana educators for the doctoral program have been numerous.

Kilpatrick said the doctoral program will bring about a tremendous increase in Northwestern's graduate school enrollment. He also pointed out that a massive new \$2 million teacher-education center will be constructed on the campus beginning early in 1968.

"The action by the State Board of Education in allowing Northwestern to grant doctoral degrees in education," said Kilpatrick, "will allow Northwestern to con-

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## Review of 1967 Shows Great Strides by NSC in Enrollment, Academics, Expansion

For those associated with Northwestern, the year 1967 will long be remembered as the most successful in the history of the institution.

Louisiana's oldest state college, Northwestern made bold strides during 1967 in academic advancement and improvement, physical expansion and enrollment.

Perhaps the most shining example of progress during the past 12 months was the fall enrollment figure of 6,331, a 22 percent increase over the fall of 1966 registration total.

The enrollment was a jump of 1,128 students over the year before and was the largest increase in Northwestern's history, both in percentage and in actual numbers.

Northwestern's Graduate School, founded in 1954, showed a tremendous increase with an enrollment mark of 1,306 as compared to 776 a year earlier.

But Northwestern officials feel that the enrollment increase was brought about primarily by progress in other areas, particularly in an academic reorganization

program carried out last summer.

Dr. Arnold R. Kilpatrick, who officially became president of Northwestern on July 1 of 1967, spearheaded a plan to increase the school's academic departments from 18 to 23.

The Education Department was divided into four departments—Elementary Education, Secondary Education, Student Teaching and Guidance and Counseling.

Several areas of study which previously were in the Social Sciences Department have become separate academic units. These include History, Economics and Sociology.

The Department of Physical Sciences was divided into separate departments of Physics, Chemistry and Geology. Other new departments include Accounting and a Department of Speech and Journalism.

Kilpatrick said the departmental reorganization has already proved beneficial in many ways, especially in providing more individual attention for the students.

Northwestern's academic pro-

gram received another tremendous boost in mid-December when the State Board of Education granted permission to the college to begin offering doctoral degrees in all areas of education next fall.

This will bring new gains to the Graduate School, which marked great progress just last spring when Northwestern became the first state college in Louisiana to offer the Specialist Degree in Education. This program allows students to secure 30 hours beyond the Master's Degree.

In addition to these advancements, six two-year Associate Degree programs were added to the Northwestern curriculum last year in various areas of industrial education.

Northwestern during 1967 accumulated the largest faculty and staff in the history of the college to help meet the needs of the expanding student body. The college faculty now totals 279.

The face of the Northwestern campus changed in many ways

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**KAREN DIANNE Morris** celebrated her fifth birthday Jan. 2. Karen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris of Nederland, Tex. Mrs. Morris is the former Gloria Schumaker, who received her BS in Nursing in 1953.

## College to Host La. Science Fair

Dr. James L. Rhoades of the Northwestern chemistry department has announced that this year's Louisiana State Science Fair will be held April 5 and 6 on the Northwestern campus.

Rhoades is director of the state science fair, which is sponsored by the Louisiana Academy of Sciences in cooperation with the Educational Institutes and Industrial Organizations. It is affiliated with the International Science Fair.

Students throughout the state in grades seven through 12 have already started preparing displays for competition in the 13 regional science fairs. The regional fairs will be held in March.

A collection of exhibits designed to show scientific principles, laboratory procedures or industrial development, the fairs focus attention on science and mathematics and provide an opportunity for students to show ideas, research and handiwork.

The fairs will be divided into two divisions—the junior division for grades seven through nine, and the senior division for grades 10 through 12.

Competition in the junior division will be in four categories—biological sciences, mathematics, physical sciences and social sciences.

In the senior division, competition will be in nine categories—behavioral sciences, biology and microbiology, chemistry and bio-

### REVIEW OF 1967—

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during 1967, and funds accumulated and plans drawn up during the last year will bring about even greater changes in the months ahead.

Presently, Northwestern has three buildings on the drawing boards which will be built at a cost of some \$5 million. Included are a \$2 million Teacher Education Center, a \$1.8 million Life Science Building and a \$1.2 million Women's Physical Education Building.

The huge \$3.2 million Arts and Sciences Building, which will add some 216 rooms for offices and classes, is expected to be completed before summer.

In the past 12 months, massive Caldwell Hall, the oldest classroom building on the campus, was renovated at a cost of more than \$400,000, and a new speech and hearing center was constructed.

Among other physical additions to the college during 1967 were a computer center to aid both faculty and students in research and instruction and a Centrex Telephone system which will provide the college with some 1,800 telephones operating 24 hours a day.

Streets and parking lots have been improved, metal markers have been placed on all of the roads and in front of every building on the campus, and the grounds have been beautified in several ways, including a row of gaslights from the stadium to Prather Coliseum and a gigantic rose garden in front of the coliseum.

Northwestern's Demon Stadium became the first football facility in Louisiana to be completely equipped with colorful, plastic theatre-type seats. The seats were also installed in Prather Coliseum.

The year 1967 was truly one of progress for Northwestern, and with the advances which have been made in the past year, officials at the college expect even greater strides forward in the months ahead.

chemistry, earth and space sciences, electronics, mathematics and computers, medicine, physics and social sciences.

The Region 4 Science Fair will be held at Northwestern March 16. It is under the direction of Dr. David Dobbins of the Northwestern geology department.



**JOSEPH W. JOHNSON, MS '57**, assistant professor of business education and office administration, has been selected by Northwestern students as Professor of the Year. Johnson who won in an all-college election, will be featured in the Potpourri.

## Annual Summer Tours Scheduled

Applications are being accepted beginning for the 1968 summer educational tours conducted by Northwestern State College.

Two separate tours are planned again this year, with trips to Europe and to the Eastern United States.

Both the European tour and the United States trip begin Aug. 1 and continue through Aug. 23.

Northwestern has been conducting the summer educational tours for more than 15 years. Last summer's program was the most successful in the history of school's tours, with 46 people making the United States trip and 27 others going to Europe.

Mrs. Jane Nahm, tour director, said the tours will be booked solid far in advance of the departing dates and urged those interested to make application as soon as possible.

Six semester hours of undergraduate or graduate credit may be earned in geography or social studies during the tour, or the tour may be taken without credit.

Participants in the European tour will visit London, the Hague, Paris, Amsterdam, Heidelberg, Munich, Florence, Rome and Naples.

Stops on the United States tour are planned in Alabama, North Carolina, Virginia, Washington, D.C., Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts, Maine, Nova Scotia, Canada, Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee.

Tour prices or other information on the annual program may be obtained by writing Kim Curry, associate tour director, Northwestern State College, Natchitoches.

### DOCTORAL DEGREE—

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tinue to fill a tremendous need in education in Louisiana, the South and the nation.

"Northwestern has been in the forefront in the preparation of teachers for many years, and this new program will give us added opportunities to fulfill the present need for educators."

Applications for the doctoral degree program are already being accepted. Anyone desiring information about the program should write the Graduate School at Northwestern.

Many students who are already working toward the Specialist Degree at Northwestern are expected to continue to work toward the doctorate.

We at Northwestern are interested in our alumni, and we would like very much to hear from you. If you have changed jobs or have any news which might be of interest in the Alumni Columns, we urge you to write us. This publication is for you, and we would like very much to include you in the next issue.

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SHERRY, 14, REBECCA, 3, and Philip, 12, are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Milan (Jackie Walker, Nursing, 1953). Mr. Milan is district representative for E.I. Du Pont Co., in the biochemical department. The family resides in Pine Bluff, Ark.

## Alumni Here and There

In addition to the NSC graduates who were listed in the September Issue as having been assigned positions at the Shreveport branch of LSU, CHARLES WINDLE JOHNSON, BS '65, MS '66, will be an instructor of mathematics, Mrs. LURLINE PICKETT DARK, BS '43, MED '63, is counselor for the new school, and Dr. REX LEON MATLOCK, BS '60, who received his PhD from LSU last August, is an assistant professor of physics.

Now an assistant professor of elementary education at Northwestern, Dr. BENNIE GEORGE BARRON and his family reside at 217 East Third Street in Natchitoches. Mrs. Barron is the former CAROLYN FAYE ADAMS, BA '55. Dr. Barron, BS '57, received the PhD Degree from the University of Southern Mississippi in August.

SUE IMHOFF, BS '60, MS '61, entered the Convent of the Sisters of St. Joseph at La Grange, Ill., last September. As a Sister she is teaching biology and doing inner-city work in the summer. She hopes to work with Newman Clubs in the future.

The Texas Association for Student Teaching has named Dr. E. LEE SELF, BS '50, MED '56, to the post of first vice president. Appointed second vice-president of TAST was Dr. BEN COODY, BS '52. Dr. Self is at Lamar State College of Technology at Beaumont, and Dr. Coody is at North Texas State University at Denon.

Dr. FRANK MOBLEY, MA '62, is now chairman of the department of education at Louisiana College. He was a member of the faculty of the department of education at NSC last year.

Mrs. Keith Ables, nee BARBARA JEAN "PETE" EDWARDS, BA '54, teaches second grade in Sherman, Texas, where her husband is Executive Director of the Sherman Housing Authority. They reside with their two children at 810 North Woods Street.

Mr. O. V. DUFOUR, BS '49, is now employed as district manager for the Encyclopedia Britannica Educational Corp. in the Instructional Materials Division for Louisiana. He and his wife, the former TESSIE SHEXNAIDRE (BS '41, NSC faculty '44-'49), and their five children are now residing at 2016 Wedgewood Ave., Alexandria.

Now employed as Assistant Director for Collection Development at the Texas A & M Library is ROGER L. CHRISTIAN, BA '59. His wife is the former SUE BOWEN who attended NSC from '55-'57. Their three children are Vivian Lee, 3½, Jana Monique, 1½, and Katie Elizabeth, 4 months.

Maj. BOBBY J. DWYER, BS '54, and Mrs. Dwyer, the former NORMA GENE HARRISON BS '55, are now living in Vicenza, Italy. Their address is EES, Italy Area Exchange, APO New York 09168.

## LOOK WHO'S HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Weldon of Montgomery, Louisiana announce the birth of their fourth child and third daughter, Wendy Kay on December 14. She weighed 6 lbs. 4 ozs. and joins brother Norman Gene, 7; sisters Marla, 5 and Dinah Leigh, 4. Truitt received a BS from NSC in '63 and his wife is the former Linda Kile, BS '65.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. (Doc) Whitley (KAY JONES BS '65) announce the birth of their daughter, Ellen Elise, born November 4, weighing 6 lbs. The Whitleys are now living at 915 Mitchell Lane, Shreveport, and would like to hear from some of their old friends.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Don Wilkins, December 7, was their second child, Jennifer Leigh Wilkins, who weighed 8 lbs., 10 ozs. Mr. Wilkins received his BM degree from NSC in 1962 while his wife, the former Prudy Parrott, received her BS degree in 1962.

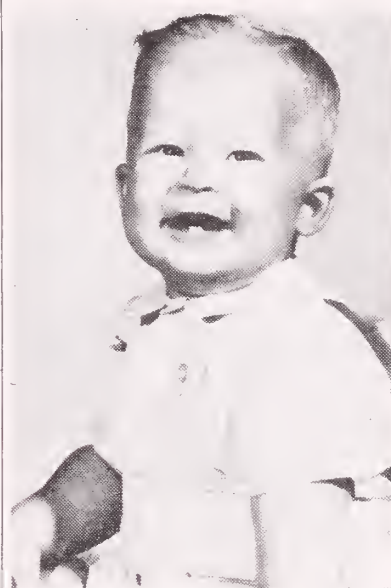
Three's the charm for Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Campbell, (Helen Goocher, BS '59), of Summerfield, who became parents of a third child, a baby girl, Karla Marie, born November 12, weighing 8 lbs., 4 ozs. Also welcoming Karla are brother John, 6, and sister Denise, 7.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Benton (Eloise Tamburo, BA '61) announce the birth of their second child, Jill De Laine, born November 20. She weighed 6 lbs., 14 ozs. and joins brother Thomas Hugh.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William L. Nichols, Jr. on October 9 was Barry Kimball. He weighed 8 lb. 6 oz. He has an older brother, William, age three. Mr. Nichols received his BA in 1960 from NSC. His wife, Ann Strebeck Nichols, received her BA in 1963.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Savell (Margaret Ann Nash, BA '61, MA '64) of Lake Charles are the parents of their first born, a son, John Milton, born November 9 and weighing 6 lb. 12½ oz.

Born Thanksgiving day, November 23, was little Jean Lynne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Whittington (Mary Jo Masingill, BA '58, MA '66). The Whittingtons have another child, Curt, now 4 years old.



THOMAS DAVID Elkins II, 16 months, is the son of Loree Elkins (BS Nursing, 1964) and Thomas David Elkins, who is presently attending Northwestern and majoring in Electronics.



## Cupid's Doings

EDWARD W. WATT, and BARBARA K. BROWN, two BS graduates of '66, were married Aug. 19. They are now living in Ann Arbor, Michigan, where Edward is working toward a doctorate in education, with special emphasis on exercise physiology. Mrs. Watt is teaching at Ann Arbor High School.

The Westside Baptist Church in Natchitoches was the scene of the reception given by the bride's parents after the wedding of PATRICIA ANNE HOLLEY and CLIFFORD TERRY LUTTRELL on Dec. 2, in the Church of the Immaculate Conception. After a honeymoon in Hot Springs, Ark., they returned to Natchitoches where the bride is a senior nursing student.

RANDOLPH PAUL NIX, BS '67, and Charlotte Anne Bonnette were married in the First Baptist Church in Natchitoches on June 4. Both were students at NSC, and Randy was a member of the August graduating class.

A wedding Aug. 19 in the Immaculate Conception Church in Natchitoches united in marriage Miss LUCILE PHELPS, BS '57, MS '61, and Major Richard Alan Graham, of Erie, Pa. They are living in Kaiserlautern, Germany, where Major Graham is stationed with the United States 32nd Army Air Defense Command, and Mrs. Graham is head of the business education department at the Kaiserlautern American High School.



## Demons Off to Slow Start in GSC Title Race; Lead League in Scoring

Northwestern's basketballers, sporting the highest scoring offense in the Gulf States Conference, managed four victories in their first 11 contests and a 1-3 league record.

The Demons, scoring over 90 points a game, evened their record at 2-2 with a 93-81 win over Houston Baptist, but then dropped three of four home games, one a heartbreaking 91-90 decision to GSC rival Southeastern.



James Wyatt  
Demons' Top Scorer

After a 93-58 loss to McNeese at Lake Charles, the Demons upset highly-regarded Northeast 104-99 in a home tilt, but then fell before arch-rival Louisiana Tech 97-87 at Ruston.

Northwestern met the University of Southwestern Louisiana at Prather Coliseum Jan. 13, then hosted Louisiana College Jan. 20 before hitting the road again Jan. 22 against Nicholls State at Thibodaux.

The Demons travel to Hattiesburg Jan. 27 to meet the University of Southern Mississippi, play SLC at Hammond on Jan. 29 before returning home Feb. 1 against McNeese.

Junior forward James Wyatt and guard Jim Pepper paced the romp over Houston Baptist at Houston with 24 points apiece and Pete Gray chimed in with 18 more. Wyatt, averaging 19 rebounds per outing, hauled in 23 in that victory.

Four Demons scored 17 points in the 91-90 setback by Southeastern, NSC's first conference battle of the season. Northwestern lost that game when SLC scored a basket with one second remaining in the game.

The Demons shot a poor 31 per cent from the field in the 78-69 loss to Stephen F. Austin Dec. 14. SFA was unbeaten entering that contest.

NSC got in the win column again with its 87-74 triumph over Texas Lutheran. Wyatt and Doug Watts hit 15 points each to pace the balanced Northwestern attack.

Northwestern cracked the 100-point barrier for the third time this season, but still fell before Centenary College, 106-101. Odis Faust, 6-4 forward from Many, playing only his second game as a starter, pumped in 27 points to lead the way. The Demons, however, hit only 41 per cent from the floor to 50 for Centenary, a statistic which proved fatal.

The Demons absorbed their only lopsided defeat against McNeese, with ice cold shooting again making the difference. Both teams got off 74 field goal attempts, but the Cowboys hit 35 compared to only 21 for NSC—a low 28 per cent.

Northwestern, with Wyatt bagging 35 points and Gray 24, played perhaps its best game of the season in whipping Northeast 104-99 Jan. 6 for its first conference win of the campaign.

Louisiana Tech hit 61 per cent from the floor and outrebounded the Demons 45-28 in stopping the NSC cagers 97-87. Northwestern lost a 14-point first half lead in that contest and its cold shooting down the stretch made the difference.

Wyatt set the scoring and rebounding pace for Northwestern through its first 11 games hitting 20 points and grabbing 19 rebounds on the average.

## Junior Varsity Cagers 3-5 After Eight Games

Northwestern's junior varsity basketball team took victories in three of its first eight games, beating Baptist Christian College of Shreveport, Northeast's junior varsity and the Louisiana jayvees.

Paced by the scoring of Jim Krajefski and Allen Posey, the young Demons mounted a winning streak with back-to-back triumphs over Northeast and Louisiana Tech Jan. 6 and Jan. 9.

Krajefski scored a team-high 48 points against Panola Junior College Dec. 8 in a game played in Shreveport.



Woodrow W. Turner

## Northwestern Gymnasts Capture Opening Meet

Northwestern's national championship gymnastics team opened its 1968 season Jan. 5 by easily winning a triangular meet at New Orleans, defeating Louisiana State University, New Orleans, Branch and the University of Southwestern Louisiana.

The Demons gymnasts, coached by Armando Vega, swept to first and second places in five of the six events held, with John Ellas, Bob Carrerio and Bob Herrmann turning in outstanding performances.

Northwestern's next meet is Jan. 26 against a powerful Southern Illinois University team at Belleville, Ill.



Jim Krajefski  
Paces Junior Varsity

## Indoor Track Meet Feb. 23-24 to Honor Woodrow W. Turner

The 1968 Graduate 'N' Club Indoor Track Meet at Prather Coliseum will be dedicated to Woodrow W. Turner, an NSC graduate and N Club vice-president who was recently named to the position of Supervisor of Health, Safety and Physical Education in charge of curriculum in the Caddo Parish school system.

Turner, who has been one of Louisiana's most successful track and field coaches during his 16 years at Byrd High School at Shreveport, will be honored at the N Club Indoor Meet, which is scheduled for Feb. 23-24, according to Walter P. Ledet, meet director.

A native of Springhill, Turner won six letters at Northwestern in football and track, played semi-professional basketball and baseball and competed in the armed forces in baseball and basketball before entering the coaching field.

Turner coached basketball and track at Ouachita Parish High School and served one year as head basketball coach. He then moved to Columbia High School where he served as athletic director, coaching football, basketball and baseball.

Turner went to Byrd High School in 1952 and built a track and field dynasty at the Shreveport school. In 16 years at Byrd, Turner's cinder squads won 16 city championships, 16 district titles, and 10 state crowns. His Byrd track teams lost only seven meets in those 16 seasons.

His success has brought Turner several awards. He has received the National Federation of High School Athletic Association Merit Award, a special award at the 1963 Ark-La-Tex Sports Awards Banquet in Shreveport as the state's Track Coach of the Year, and the Pop Warner Award for outstanding service to the youth and football by Jordan Olivia, Yale University, in 1960.

This year's indoor meet is the fourth annual 'N' Club cinder carnival staged at Prather Coliseum.

The event has traditionally attracted some of the finest track and field talent from several states, both in the high school and college divisions.

High school competition will be held Feb. 23, with the collegians taking over Feb. 24.











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